

Understanding

Dog Body Language

Our dogs talk to us all day long through their body language. Understanding what they are saying is very important in our ongoing relationship and safety.



Actively wants your attention and uses jumping, barking & nipping to get it.



Passive Attention Seek-

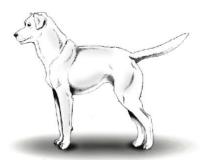
Wants your attention but uses a quieter way. Stares for a pet, nudges your hand, licks you or drops something so you will pick it up.



Assertive
Stays still, stares, raises hair on top of back. Can become agitated or physical if approached or you move too quickly.



CONFIDENTTail will stick straight up. Will jump, bark, nudge, or any means possible to get your attention.



HEADSTRONGDoes not pay much attention to you.
Looks at everything else. Hard to get him to listen.

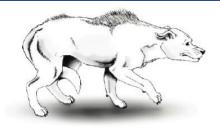


RELAXEDJust wants to please. Very easy going and always gives you focus. Body appears "relaxed".

Be very careful with the dogs below! They could easily bite. Do not approach.



FEARFUL/REACTIVEWill bark and jump at slightest movement.
Down low and on edge. Prone to attack if approached. Tail between legs.



NERVOUSAppears anxious and worried. Light sleeper. Sudden noises make him bark and retreat to a corner or under a table. Tail between legs.



TIMIDFrightened of the people, dogs, or surroundings. Doesn't want to be petted or approached. Stays low. Tail between legs.

This information is being presented to help dog owners provide them with happy, safe, and long lives. Please use the information provided here as a guideline only. Always consult your Veterinarian regarding any health issue or nutritional guidelines. Please contact your local Home Dog Training Master Dog Trainers, Bruce & Robin Edwards for detailed training and behavioral issues. You can contact us through our web site at http://www.NorthGeorgiaDogTraining.com